

Board of Selectmen
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Land Use Office
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Conservation Commission
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 Cultural Council
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OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

February 7, 2011

• TOWN COMMITTEES

Currently there are openings on the Conservation Commission (2), Council on Aging (3), Historical Commission (1), Advisory Board (1), and the Capital Planning Committee (1). These are all listed on the Town's website under Volunteer Opportunities.

New Member on COA Ginny Driscoll

• WATER TANK

Schedule is on track:

High Street

Pre bid Meeting	all three contracts	February 10 th
Bid	#1 Pump mod., #2 Site work	February 22 nd
Bid	#3 Tank	February 24 th
Construction		May 30 th
On line		September 30 th

Gardner Hill

Design	May 1 st
Bid	June 1 st
Repairs Complete	November 30 th

• FY10 AUDIT

Audit complete and Bill Fraher to report on Monday February 7, 2011 at 6:45 p.m., with the Board of Selectmen and Advisory Board to review his findings.

- **WATER**

Met with Town Manager Jim Kreidler from Winchendon to discuss:

1. The generation of an RFP for the operation of the Water Treatment Plant, the current contract expires in August of 2011.
2. Discussions also focused on the breaks on the Winchendon line which affect our residents.

- **FY12 BUDGETS**

Over the past two weeks I have held meetings with Department Heads on the initial FY12 budget.

School Budget and the Assessment methodology has been the topic of several discussions with members of the different boards.

- **POLICE UNION**

Chief Barrett and I met with the Police Union on January 19th. The current contract allowed for the opening of the contract in FY11 and FY12 to discuss wages only. The purpose was to see if the union in these tight economic times would look to voluntarily reduce the wage increase of 3½ % for the FY12 year. After a short discussion and an inquiry of what I had to give, they stated they had no interest in any reductions.

Discussion on the recent Superior Court ruling on the Quinn Bill, and its effect on our current situation was held.

- **CAPITAL PLANNING**

I met with the Capital Planning Committee on January 20th to review the overall Capital Plan to establish sustainable levels of commitment. There are additional meetings with Department Heads on February 8th for further review.

- **MMA CONFERENCE**

I attended the MMA Conference in Boston on January 21st and 22nd.

- **REGIONALIZATION**

Attended a meeting with Chief Barrett in Gardner on January 31st. Representatives from E911 discussed the available funding associated with putting together regional dispatch centers. Gardner is looking to build a new police station and is looking for other communities to share services to optimize specifications.

- **LAND AUCTION**

Anne Cervantes has been working with Coppola & Coppola on setting a date for the land auction and they have scheduled it for Saturday, April 9, 2011.